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In re Patent Application of:

Clarke *et al.*

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Application No.: 10/629,933

Art Unit: 1651

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For: MULTI-STEP METHOD FOR THE
DIFFERENTIATION OF INSULIN POSITIVE,
GLUCOSE RESPONSIVE CELLS

Examiner: L. B. Lankford

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This amendment is being filed in reply to the outstanding non-Final Office Action, mailed on August 29, 2006, in connection with the above application. Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently.

Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.